

LOCALS and PERSONALS

Dr. Horatio Walker was in Koehler Sunday.

Mr. C. M. Black was over from Koehler Monday.

Billy Bell, of Raton, arrived here Monday en route to Taos.

Mr. Fred Whitney returned from his ranch at Caliente Tuesday.

D. N. Black, one of the Swastika engineers, arrived here from Koehler on Monday.

Attend the sale of fine millinery at Crocker Brothers' store on April 15th, 16th and 17th.

Geo. Toney and John D. Merriweather, of the Swastika road, were in town Saturday.

A. S. Scherrer is building a blacksmith shop, 40x60, for J. S. Wilson in the new townsite.

Geo. Sheehan returned last week having served out his three years' enlistment in the army.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Officer, of Raton, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar H. Colgrove over Sunday.

Billy Vance started to work in the round house Monday morning as helper to the blacksmith.

Mason Chase returned the latter part of last week from Raton, having served on the grand jury.

Wm. Rupert returned Saturday night from a prospecting trip with J. M. Kelley, the Swastika conductor.

F. D. Fenn, of Chicago, was here the latter part of last week as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Record.

There will be a fine display of fashionable millinery at Crocker Bros. store, Cimarron, on April 15th, 16th and 17th. Don't forget the date.

Lost—A black Holstein cow, brand X A on right hip. Fifteen dollars (\$15) reward for her return to Fred Brooks.

Stanley Chase and Roy Slack, the latter a C. S. man, went out to the round up at the Uracca ranch last Friday.

Mr. O. B. Bishop has moved his family to Ponil Park, as he intends to farm the old Livingston ranch this summer.

Joe Brick, storekeeper for the Swas-

tika road, is now permanently located in the new store house adjoining the roundhouse.

Mr. Riley Littrell returned Monday, having been on a three days' visit with his father, Mr. Elija Littrell, at the Vermejo ranch.

W. A. White, the photographer of Raton, arrived here Friday and left the following day with Mr. C. R. van Houten going up Ponil Canon.

Mr. Ridout is the first contractor to arrive on the ground and begin work on the Cimarron & Northwestern. Mr. Ridout's outfit will be camped at the end of mile one.

Mr. T. J. Collier, of Oxford, Miss., arrived here Wednesday, April 3, to join his brother, S. J. Collier, with an engineering party on the Cimarron & Northwestern.

The brick building now under construction across the railroad track from the Antlers' saloon when completed will be fitted up as a drug store for Dr. Horatio Walker and Mr. Officer of Raton.

The Ute Creek sawmill, the property of the Continental Timber Co., burned down Sunday. The building was completely destroyed, as was some three hundred and sixty-five feet of belting. The cut lumber and about nine hundred logs in the log yard was saved. The fire was supposed to have started in the boiler room.

Jesse Littrell and John Livingston have sold their saloon opposite Lamberts' to Whitley and Stevens. John Whitley was formerly at French. Herrange and Whitley and J. D. Stevens had a saloon at Taylor then moved to French. The new proprietors will give a formal opening Saturday, April 13.

The twenty-two head of horses and mules confined in the railroad stock pens got away some time during Monday night, and were located Tuesday morning fifteen miles east of here. The mules are the property of the Ridout Contracting company and are held in the corral until the other cars containing tools, tents, etc., arrive for grading on the Cimarron & Northwestern.

Koehler Notes

And it came to pass that the master mechanic whose surname is Chapin said, let there be power and there was power, and the power was electric and it scooteth along the copper wires, and entereth the bosom of the 20 ton motors and maketh them to go and hauleth the coal from the bowels of the earth in many earloads and increaseth the output most wonderfully, and the master said it is well but we doeth better yet. What we wish to say is that we have two 20-ton motors now running instead of the dingy engine which hauled the coal from the mine mouth to the tippie.

Billy Smith, of Van Houten, and Si Killmurry, of some place, were suburban visitors to our city. Sunday the 31st. Billy said he came in to see if there were any Barbers here, but being wise to Billy we noticed he was clean shaved when he arrived, and had long hair when he left.

Mrs. J. L. Gunn and Miss Ada Morse were Easter Sunday visitors to Raton.

A. R. Quick was a welcome visitor to the B. M. company employes on Thursday, April 4.

Sunday, the 7th, the first ball game of the season was played on the home grounds between the washer team and Koehler's A B C's. It was a pitchers' battle throughout the game until the last two innings. Neither sent a man home until the beginning of the seventh when the washer pitcher went to pieces and the A B C's started coming home too fast for the scorekeeper to count.

Lou Chaplin, of Willow, drove over Sunday and spent the day.

The B. M. company was represented in Raton on the 7th by W. S. Brown, F. F. Faling and James McDougall. They said on leaving that they intended to buy the town and move it to Koehler Junction. But they changed their plans when they met one of the natives of New Mexico who gave a quit claim deed to Red River peak in exchange for all the coin in the realm they had in their possession at the time. There is not the least doubt in their minds about the deed being bona fide, as it is signed by Rio, Colorado.

Ed Triplett, of Gardiner, drove down Saturday night and visited with his brother over Sunday.

J. L. Gunn is constructing a short order restaurant on the corner of Main street and Prairie avenue. This is one of the busiest portions of the town and should prove a howling success from a financial standpoint.

The Cimarron Lumber company has a contract for a large number of houses which they are building as fast as possible.

Rumor says that Mine Clerk McKenzie leaves us shortly for Mexico. And that Station Agent Sam Officer contemplates starting in the drug business at Cimarron in the near future.

And that is all the dope we will issue for the present.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF MINES IN NEW MEXICO

Activity Increasing in All of the Mining Counties, With Much Development Work Under Way.

[From the Mining Reporter.]

Colfax County—The Lynch-Bird property on Iron mountain in the vicinity of Elizabethtown, has lately been purchased by parties interested in the building of the St. Louis, Rocky Mountain & Pacific railroad. There is said to be an enormous deposit of good grade iron ore on the property.

Grant County—There are reported to be over 100 leasers at work in the Santa Rita camp, and that the production and activity is greater than for several years past. The Meerschbaum company of America has inaugurated operations at Sapello, fifty-seven miles northeast of Silver City. Engineers' reports show that there are in sight in the present workings 570 tons of meerschbaum worth \$30 per ton.

The Hachita company was lately incorporated to develop properties in the Hachita mountains. W. R. Thurston is the local representative. At the Western Bell mine on Gold hill, gold quartz assaying from \$40 to \$800 is reported.

Lincoln County—The Gallup Fuel company, operating coal mines near Gallup, has suspended all operations. It is rumored that a sale is pending.

Rio Arriba County—The Rio Chama auriferous gravels, of an area of about four miles square, have been acquired by a dredging company. R. W. Had-

PERCHERON STALLION MAGISTER (55708)



IMPORTED FROM FRANCE BY McLAUGHLIN BROS.

Will make the season of 1907, beginning May 1st. Sunday, Monday and Tuesday at Ernest Popejoy's near Red Mountain, Johnson Mesa. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at George Woodhouse's, west end of Mesa, and Saturday at William Popejoy's, Johnson Park. Season closes August 1, 1907. Terms, \$10; Foal, \$15; Insure, \$20. Magister is a dark brown stallion, weight about 1800 lbs; 17 hands high. He was imported from France last year and stood the season on the Mesa, and it is believed his foals will show up the best of any horse ever brought to this country. This will give you an opportunity to secure the best of draft stock. For dates or other particulars write or phone

WILLIAM FLOYD,

Secretary of the Johnson Mesa Percheron Horse Association, Bell, N. M.

INTERESTING LETTER FROM JUDGE BOOTH.

ELMBURN, CALIF., March 16.

Editor Raton Range:

Dear Sir—I have no doubt you have had some little thing that reminded you of something that happened in the past. When we hear a person tell a story it reminds you of some other story you have heard in the past. That is a reminder. Now, I have had a reminder. On the 6th of this month I was 77 years old, and feeling as if I wanted to do something I took a trip to Frisco it being a pleasant day. I took the electric cars from here to Melrose, then took the Southern Pacific local to Ferry. I took the boat named Piedmont to cross the bay. Now the ferry boats of the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe pass very near Goat island, which is located about midships between the main lands of Oakland and Frisco. I stood on the forward deck taking in the sights, and as we came up to Goat Island [now the reminder] my thoughts flew back over fifty years to November, 1849. At that time I belonged to the crew of the ship J. Wells, Jr., bound on a cruise around the world; had shipped for two years, had stopped in Frisco to land passengers and freight and lay anchored near Frisco waiting for parties to claim their freight. Four of the crew, including myself, obtained permission to take a boat and go across the bay hunting. As we approached Goat island I noticed the rocks all alive with seals and sea lions. I discharged my gun and the whole living mass rolled into the water making a roar like distant thunder. The water was all foam. It was a grand sight; one not to be forgotten. We proceeded on and landed, hauling our boat on the bank and we stayed there three days hunting. The lagoons were full of ducks, geese, brant and other kinds of fowl, and we had our fill of killing birds. We killed a cow, stretched the hide on the ground and carved the meat as we wanted it. Most of the country was covered with live oak trees which gave the present city of Oakland its name when it was settled, and as you ride through the city you will see some of these old oaks now standing. Oakland today is a big city. A few days ago the

Oakland Tribune stated that the population of Oakland was 250,000, and that it had increased 125 per cent within a year. I have no doubt it is true, as over 100,000 left Frisco after the quake and most of these are located in Oakland today. San Francisco, like New York, has its Brooklyn in Oakland. Oakland has its future and it looks good to me. You see, I have dropped the reminder and taken up the present, just to be doing as the old woman said when asked why they hanged her husband; she said she did not know why but thought it was just to be doing. Will close this reminder by saying that I did not continue the voyage around the world but left the ship with six others between two days and after some difficulty went into the mines. The reason we left the ship was we were getting \$13 per month on the ship and we could get \$10 per day ashore. I may have something happen that will remind me of some other thing that happened years ago. If I do I will notify you. Yours truly,

L. E. BOOTH.

A New Incorporation.

The Farmers' Development company, of Springer, is one of the new incorporations. The object of the company is the formation of companies for the construction of irrigating and other canals and for the development of lands. Their field of business is Colfax county, their office is at Springer and their agent is M. N. Mikesell. Capital stock is \$250,000. The incorporators are J. H. Rosenberger, I. B. Miller, D. G. Ureurick, of Wasson; F. D. Rosenberger, A. F. Mikesell, Isaac Frantz, M. N. Mikesell. All the men are from Ohio except Mr. Mikesell.

Naming a Claim.

There is a confusion sameness in the names given mining claims, and one is puzzled at times to know which is the "Lucky Strike" or "Last Chance" claim he is reading about. But a prospector in the Walker Lake region has named his prospect with originality. He calls it "It looks like hell, but you can never tell."—Silver City Enterprise.

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